

AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

1. (currently amended) An enclosure comprising:  
a housing ; and  
an airflow guide enclosed in the housing, wherein the airflow guide projects from the housing in an air flow path created via rotation of one or more discs enclosed within the housing, in which the airflow guide comprises an elastic ~~wall~~ elastomeric damping material.
2. (currently amended) The enclosure of claim 1 in which the ~~elastomeric wall~~ elastomeric damping material comprises ~~an elastic~~ a barrier surface of the airflow guide.
3. (currently amended) The enclosure of claim 2 in which a portion of the ~~elastic surface~~ is elastomeric damping material is in contact with the housing.
4. (previously presented) The enclosure of claim 3 further comprising an interface of unlike materials between the airflow guide and the housing.
5. (currently amended) The enclosure of claim 1 in which the elastomeric damping material of the airflow guide essentially consists of an elastic material one of an elastomer, polyurethane or butyl material.
6. (previously presented) The enclosure of claim 1 in which the airflow guide is directly adhered to the housing.
7. (previously presented) The enclosure of claim 1 further comprising an adhesive joining the airflow guide to the housing.
8. (cancelled)

9. (currently amended) A data storage device comprising:

a housing;

at least one disc stack assembly rotatably mounted to the housing, wherein the rotation of the at least one disc stack assembly creates a fluid flow region proximate to the at least one disc stack assembly; and

an airflow guide that projects into the housing and comprises ~~an elastic wall~~ an elastomeric body forming a barrier surface in the fluid flow region ~~of the disc stack assembly and the elastic wall having an elastic surface.~~

10-16 (cancelled)

17. (currently amended) The data storage device of claim 9, wherein a portion of the ~~elastic surface~~ elastomeric body is in contact with the housing.

18. (currently amended) The data storage device of claim ~~17~~ 9, further comprising an interface between the airflow guide and the housing which consists of unlike materials.

19. (currently amended) The data storage device of claim ~~17~~ 9 wherein the ~~airflow guide essentially consists of an elastic~~ elastomeric body is formed of a curable gel-like material.

20. (previously presented) The data storage device of claim 9 wherein the airflow guide is directly adhered to the housing.

21. (cancelled).

22. (currently amended) The data storage device of claim 9 further comprising a filtration unit in an interior of the housing, in which the ~~elastic surface~~ barrier surface of the airflow guide is

configured to direct fluid flow ~~in the fluid flow region proximate to the disc stack assembly~~ to or from the filtration unit

23. (previously presented) The data storage device of claim 9 wherein the airflow guide is spaced from a voice coil motor enclosed within the housing.

24. (previously presented) The data storage device of claim 9 wherein the airflow guide is coupled to at least one filter support.

25. (previously presented) The data storage device of claim 24 wherein the at least one filter support is coupled to the housing.

26. (new) The data storage device of claim 1 wherein the elastomeric damping material is a curable gel material.

27. (new) The data storage device of claim 1 wherein the airflow guide comprises a formed in place gasket.

28. (new) The data storage device of claim 9 wherein the elastomeric body comprises a formed in place gasket.